

it. Really I think Mr. Sill
was not quite just to lay
the fault of Willie's laughing
in the class upon Frank.
Must one never say a funny
thing for fear some one
who hears it will recall
it and laugh at the wrong
time? If Frank did not say
it in class, it was Willie with
his want of self control and
not Frank who was to blame.

I am afraid Mr. McC. will
have more trouble with those
boys. As it was the first riot
they have had there I think it
would have been well to make
a warning of it. We are having
a cold weather today, and a
prospect of dry weather.

Papa is very willing to have some
dry weather so that the ground
may be fit to plow.

I am very sorry
that Mr. Sill is
not well.
Had hoped
he would
almost write
some to
Auntie
so with
love to both
my dear girls
I am your aff.
father.
Wednesday.
(spring 1874)

Dear Willie
I should have
answered your letter before
but John has been away
this week and I have had no
time. I must say I shall be very
glad to see him back, for I
get very tired when I have all
the work to do. I thought he
was coming to day but he has
not. I have been looking
over a list of Latin mottoes
that I found in a book and
copy some of them as sug-
gestions to you. Don't laugh
at the idea of my copying
Latin. I do so with the book
before me. I give the translation
not because I do not suppose you

capable of translating them
but because I understood
that such things often admit
of more than one rendering
and you might not hit upon
this one.

Nulla dies sine linea.
Not a day without some
acquisition.

Vestigia nulla retrorsum.
There are no returning
footsteps.

Qui non proficit, deficit.
He who does not advance,
goes backward.

Proclama futuri.
Thoughtful of the future.

Memoria in eterna.*

In everlasting remembrance.

Ad ~~Altera~~ Altiora.

To something higher.

These I suggest but if you

Referring to your teacher and school days.

3. 12. the first clause of the
verse you will find the very
best mottoe you could possibly
have. Take that and make
the pronouns plural, and
turn it into Latin if Latin
it must be and see if you don't
like it.

I can't tell how much good it
did me to see Annie. I should
have been so glad to have had
you here too, but it will not
be long now till the mid
term vacation and then
I shall have you both a
little while. I won't ask
you any more about your
essay if it annoys you.
I supposed you had chosen
it, but forgotten to mention

I am sure I
I certainly forgot to have done
but that moment to chance in
any thing. Yours &c &c